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PROPOSAL

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1. THE COMMITTEE APPROVED AN ITALIAN PROPOSAL FOR A
PILOT STUDY ON SEISMOLOGY BASED ON THE DRAFT DEVELOPED
BY THE FEBRUARY 13-14 EXPERTS MEETING REPORTED REF A.
THE ITALIAN REP (CORTELLESA) NOTED THAT THE PILOT STUDY
WOULD CONCENTRATE ON SEISMIC RISK AND EARTHQUAKE PREDIC-
TION AND WOULD LAY THE GROUNDWORK FOR MULTI-NATIONAL EX-
PERIMENTS IN EARTHQUAKE OBSERVATION AND PREDICTION.

2. SEVEN COUNTRIES (CANADA, FRANCE, GREECE, ICELAND,
PORTUGAL, TURKEY AND THE US) WITH AREAS OF HIGH SEISMIC
ACTIVITY EXPRESSED STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE PROPOSAL; BUT
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THE PROJECT ALSO ELICITED CONSIDERABLE INTEREST FROM
NATIONS WITH RELATIVELY LITTLE SEISMIC ACTIVITY, INCLUDING
BELGIUM, THE FRG, LUXEMBOURG, THE NETHERLANDS, AND THE UK .
THOUGH MANY NATIONS WERE UNCERTAIN AS TO THEIR LEVEL OF
PARTICIPATION, SEVERAL (FRANCE, GREECE, ICELAND, LUXEMBOURG,
PORTUGAL AND TURKEY) MADE SPECIFIC REFERENCES TO EXISTING
EXPERTISE WHICH COULD BE APPLIED TO THE STUDY.

3. A CANADIAN SUGGESTION THAT THE PROJECT BE CONDUCTED
JOINTLY BY CCMS AND THE NATO SCIENCE COMMITTEE WAS
SUPPORTED BY THE UK. THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF WILL
INVESTIGATE THE POSSIBILITY OF SOME FORM OF CCMS-SCIENCE
COMMITTEE COLLABORATION. BENNETT

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